- 14. An implant according to Claim 12, wherein the surface concavities are hemispherical and are interconnected with the macropores by being coalesced therewith.
- 15. An implant according to Claim 2, wherein micropores are provided in the body, with the micropores being randomly interspersed throughout the body.
- 17. An implant according to Claim 15, wherein the micropores occupy 60% or less of the total volume of the body, excluding the volume occupied by the macropores.
- 21. A method according to Claim 19, wherein the fugitive phase particles are present and are spherical stearic acid particles having a size range of 500 to 1000 microns.
- 23. A method according to Claim 21, wherein the green compacts are heated to about 500°c, to allow melting and decomposition of the stearic acid, thereby forming, in the green compacts or bodies, interconnected macropores produced by the decomposition of the stearic acid particles.

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to eliminate an inaccuracy. Claims 25 and 26 have been canceled. Claims 1-24 remain in the application. Claims 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 17, 21 and 23 have been amended to eliminate multiple dependencies and Claim 13 has been amended to eliminate an improper limitation. Attached hereto is a marked up version of the changes made

by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made." The filing fee has been calculated based upon this amendment to the claim.

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